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MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel White

SUBJECT : "Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act"

1. As you will recall, the "Fringe Benefits Act of 1954" made provisions, under certain circumstances, for a uniform allowance not to exceed \$100 per annum per employee.

2. To my knowledge, the only employees of the Agency who would be considered as being uniformed are chauffeurs, ☐ guards, and nurses.

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3. The provisions of the act are only effective for those employees who were required by regulations in effect on 1 September 1954, or by law, to wear a prescribed uniform while on duty.

4. I have been advised by the Logistics Office that chauffeurs have not been required to wear uniforms while on duty and it is not, therefore, possible to now require them to wear uniforms and come under the provisions of this act.

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6. I have been advised by the Medical Office that the nurses' dresses are furnished and laundered by the Agency. However, they must furnish caps, white stockings, and white shoes. They have been required to wear these items by informal directives within the Medical Office. However, since there are only six nurses, and since the items are not terribly expensive, it is recommended that we not approach the Bureau of the Budget in an attempt to get monies included in our next appropriation to buy shoes and stockings for the nurses.

7. The law does not make provisions covering those employees who in the future may be required to wear uniforms while on duty. After talking with General Counsel it appears that if we should desire, at some point in the future, to require our chauffeurs to be uniformed at government expense we would have to arrange this through the process of including these items in our annual appropriation.

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